

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**  
**FOR H.R. 1735**  
**OFFERED BY MR. HUNTER OF CALIFORNIA**

Page 528, after line 2, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 1092. INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE RECOVERY COORDI-**  
2 **NATOR.**

3 (a) INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE RECOVERY COORDI-  
4 NATOR.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after  
6 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President  
7 shall designate an existing Federal officer to coordi-  
8 nate efforts to secure the release of United States  
9 citizens who are hostages of hostile groups or state  
10 sponsors of terrorism. For purposes of carrying out  
11 the duties described in paragraph (2), such officer  
12 shall have the title of “Interagency Hostage Recov-  
13 ery Coordinator”.

14 (2) DUTIES.—The Coordinator shall have the  
15 following duties:

16 (A) Coordinate and direct all activities of  
17 the Federal Government relating to each hos-  
18 tage situation described in paragraph (1) to en-  
19 sure efforts to secure the release of all hostages

1 in the hostage situation are properly resourced  
2 and correct lines of authority are established  
3 and maintained.

4 (B) Establish a fusion cell consisting of  
5 appropriate personnel of the Federal Govern-  
6 ment with purview over each hostage situation  
7 described in paragraph (1).

8 (b) QUARTERLY REPORT.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Coordinator shall sub-  
10 mit to Congress a quarterly report on each hostage  
11 situation described in subsection (a)(1) and efforts  
12 to secure the release of all hostages in such hostage  
13 situation.

14 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
15 (1) shall be submitted in classified or unclassified  
16 form.

17 (c) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
18 gress that the Coordinator should develop and pursue an  
19 entire range of options with respect to each hostage situa-  
20 tion described in subsection (a)(1), including kinetic and  
21 non-kinetic options.

22 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

23 (1) COORDINATOR.—The term “Coordinator”  
24 means the Interagency Hostage Recovery Coordi-  
25 nator designated under subsection (a).

1           (2) HOSTILE GROUP.—The term “hostile  
2 group” means—

3           (A) a group that is designated as a foreign  
4 terrorist organization under section 219(a) of  
5 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
6 1189(a));

7           (B) a group that is engaged in armed con-  
8 flict with the United States; or

9           (C) any other group that the President de-  
10 termines to be a hostile group for purposes of  
11 this paragraph.

12          (3) STATE SPONSOR OF TERRORISM.—The term  
13 “state sponsor of terrorism”—

14           (A) means a country the government of  
15 which the Secretary of State has determined,  
16 for purposes of section 6(j) of the Export Ad-  
17 ministration Act of 1979, section 620A of the  
18 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, section 40 of  
19 the Arms Export Control Act, or any other pro-  
20 vision of law, to be a government that has re-  
21 peatedly provided support for acts of inter-  
22 national terrorism; and

23           (B) includes North Korea.

